(c) whether this mark up, ranging from 70 to 200 per cent is justified;

(d) whether this is the reason for which no duty concessions granted by Government in respect of PSF, NFY, PFY etc. are reaching the consumer; and

(e) what action Government propoes to take to ensure that such duty concessions which are granted by issuing Notifications in public interest are passed on to the consumers ultimately?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) A pilot survey on the movement of prices of selected varieties of textiles which was conducted during 1979 by Textile Commitee concluded that trade margin differences between ex-mill prices and retail prices in case of selected varieties of synthetic and blended textiles ranged between 40 per cent to 50 per cent in the local market at Bombay. The trade margin in case of up-country centres in the interior and away from production centres was further higher by about 10 per cent. In February, 1990, the percentage difference between ex-mill and retail prices was between 99.2 per cent to 55.1 per cent.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

(d) The concessions given in 1988-89 Budget were not fully passed on to the consumer mainly because of increase in the prices of raw-material which go into the manufacture of these fibres/yarns.

(e) Government Notifications are issued in public interest and in good faith. In order to ensure that benefits of such concessions are passed on to ultimate consumer, periodical review and monitoring of prices etc. is done by the Government.

Payment of customs duty by M/s Bombay Dyeing

1009. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1095 given in the Rajya Sabha in 2nd March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether the Customs, Excise & Gold (Control) Appellate Tribunal has disposed off the miscellaneous application filed by Government regarding the payment of Customs duty on DMT plant by M/s. Bombay Dyeing;

(b) if so, what are the details there of; and

(c) what further action is contem plated by Government in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) and (b) Customs, Excise and Gold (Control) Appellate Tribunal (CEGAT) has finally disposed off the Miscellaneous application and the appeal and has remanded the matter back to Collector of Customs, Bombay for re-adjudication on some points.

(c) In view of (a) and (b) above, the Collector of Customs, Bombay will be taking further action in the matter in terms of the orders of the CEGAT.

Criterion for Appointment of Solicitors by Public Financial Institutions

1010. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will tre Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the criterion for appointment of solicitors by public financial institutions;